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SUBJ: SWISS RESPONSE TO SOVIET NOTE RE NEUTRON BOMB

REF: BERN 894 (NOTAL)

1. SWISS HAVE ISSUED FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE ON
THEIR RESPONSE TO SOVIET NOTE ON NEUTRON BOMB
(EMBASSY TRANSLATION, UNNECESSARY WORDS OMITTED):

2. BEGIN TRANSLATION: ON JAN 9 CONFEDERATION
PRESIDENT RECEIVED LETTER FROM BREZHNEV THROUGH
SOVIET AMBASSADOR BERN SETTING FORTH HIS (BREZHNEV'S)
OBJECTIONS TO NEUTRON BOMB. IN ITS RESPONSE,
DELIVERED MAR 17 BY SWISS CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN
MOSCOW, FEDERAL COUNCIL STATED THAT IT IS RESPONSIBILITY
OF GREAT NUCLEAR POWERS TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO
COMPLICATED QUESTIONS RAISED BY DEVELOPMENT NEW
NUCLEAR ARMS AND TO ALLEVIATE ANXIETIES WHICH
ARE RESULT THE PURSUIT OF ARMS RACE. FEDERAL COUNCIL
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS TOWARD
CONTROL AND LIMITATION NUCLEAR ARMS WILL BE
ACCOMPLISHED SOON AS POSSIBLE IN FORA SIEZED WITH
THAT SUBJECT. FEDERAL COUNCIL STATED SWITZERLAND
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HAS ALREADY MADE KNOWN ITS POSITION, AND HAS MADE
ITS CONTRIBUTION TO PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR DANGER
(DU DANGER NUCLEAIRE) IN ADHERING TO TREATY ON NON-
PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS, AND THAT IT
EXPECTS POWERS WHO POSSESS NUCLEAR ARMS WILL FULFILL,
AS HAS SWITZERLAND, AND WITH DILIGENCE, OBLIGATIONS
THEY HAVE UNDERTAKEN IN THAT TREATY AND IN PARTICULAR

IN ITS ARTICLES 4 AND 6. ARTICLE 4 COVERS (GARANTIT)
PEACEFUL USE OF ATOMIC ENERGY, AND ARTICLE 6 CONSTRAINS
CONTRACTING PARTIES TO PURSUE IN GOOD FAITH THEIR
EFFORTS TOWARDS ENDING NUCLEAR ARMS RACE AND TOWARDS
DISARMAMENT. END EMB TRANSLATION.
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